

U.S. Patent Application No. 10/678,834
Response to Restriction Requirement

Docket No. 7463-30

REMARKS

In a prior Office Action dated July 27, 2004, the Examiner had previously issued an election of the invention to be examined and the Applicant had duly made an election with traverse of "Invention I" encompassing claims 1-16. Subsequently, the Examiner made another Election of Species Requirement within the already elected claims stating that the Applicant is required to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted.

In this regard, the Applicant has amended the claims to add generic claims 21 through 24. As a result of this Amendment, original claims 1-16 and newly added claims 21-24. Claims 17-20 were unelected and are herein reflected as cancelled.

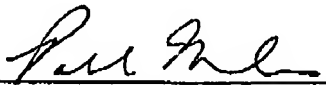
Claims 1-16 being readable within New generic claim 21, the foregoing is submitted as a full and complete Response to the Election mailed November 17, 2004, and early and favorable consideration of the claims is requested.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further is necessary in order to place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Applicants' representative at the telephone number listed below.

No additional fees are believed due; however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0951.

Respectfully submitted,

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